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In re Application of:

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Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned

Date Filed: March 17, 2004For: **GAS GENERATING COMPOSITION AND METHOD**TRANSMITTAL LETTERCommissioner for Patents
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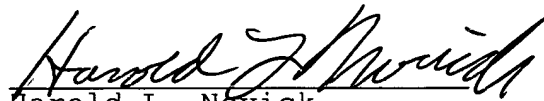
Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Request for Filing a Continuation Patent Application
40 Pages Application Consisting of:
 - 34 Pages of Textual Specification
 - 3 Pages of 11 Claims
 - 1 Abstract of the Disclosure
 - 2 Sheets of drawings;
- (3) Original Executed Inventor's Declaration;
- (4) Preliminary Amendment with Attachments A, B, and C;
- (5) Terminal Disclaimer;
- (6) Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal Letter
- (7) PTO Form 1449;
- (8) Check No. 20676 in the Amount of \$1,330.00; and
- (9) Early Notification Serial Number Postcard.

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1. This is a Request for filing a
 X Continuation Application under
 37 CFR § 1.53(b)
 Divisional Application under:
 37 CFR § 1.53(b)
 Continuation-In-Part (CIP) application
 37 CFR § 1.53(b)

of **pending prior** U.S. Application Serial No. 09/856,849 filed May 25, 2001, which is a § 371 of International Application PCT/JP99/05666 filed October 14, 1999.

2. X *Enclosed for application under 37 CFR §§ 1.53(b) are:
 41 pages of text (specification, claims, abstract)
 11 claims
 2 sheets of drawings

3. The **present** application names the following inventor(s):
 Kazuya SERIZAWA
 Katsuhiko TAKAHASHI

 (37 CFR § 1.53--"CIP") The above-identified application (in which no payment of the Issue Fee, abandonment of or termination of proceedings has occurred) is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

The **Total Filing Fee** is calculated as follows:

 Enter the Amendment filed in the prior patent application on prior to calculating the filing fee.

 X Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee.

	(Col 1) NUMBER OF CLAIMS FILED		(Col 2) NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS	SMALL ENTITY		OR	NON-SMALL ENTITY	
				RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
TOTAL	32	minus 20	12	x9			x18=	216
INDEP	7	minus 3	4	x42			x86=	344
BASE FILING FEE:				+370=			+770=	770
<u> </u> Multiple Dependent Claims				+140=			+260=	0
				TOTAL	<div style="border: 3px double black; width: 60px; height: 20px;"></div>	OR	TOTAL	<div style="border: 3px double black; width: 60px; height: 20px; text-align: center;">1,330</div>

 Applicant(s) is/are a "small entity".

 X A check in the amount of \$1,330.00 is enclosed.

 A Petition for Extension of Time (to keep the parent case pending) is enclosed, with a check including the \$ extension fee.

 Assignment document(s) is/are submitted herewith, with a check including the recordation fee of **\$40.00** per Assignment.

 No check is enclosed. A Declaration and Power of Attorney will be submitted at a later date pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.41, 1.53, together with a check for the "Total Filing Fee" calculated above and a surcharge under 37 CFR § 1.16(e).

___ The prior application is assigned of record to ____, the Assignment being recorded on ____, on Reel ____, Frame(s) ____.

X An original executed Declaration is enclosed.

X Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a continuation of applications Serial Number 09/856,849 filed May 25, 2001, which is a \$ 371 of International Application PCT/JP99/05666 filed October 14, 1999, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.--

X Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of JAPAN application(s) 11-285239, filed 10/06/99, is hereby claimed. The certified priority paper(s):
X was/were filed in the parent case;
___ is/are enclosed herewith;
___ will be submitted at a later date.

X The power of attorney in the prior application is to Harold L. Novick.

X The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

X Address all future communications to:

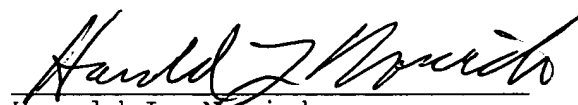
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X If extensions of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the parent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned to allow copendency of the parent and the present continuing application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fee deficiency under 37 CFR § 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

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